

**LUMPKIN COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

***Regular Meeting Agenda***

**Dahlonega City Hall**

**465 Riley Road**

**Dahlonega, Georgia**

**September 20, 2007**

**7:00 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chairman Stowers

**II. INVOCATION**

Reverend Bo Robinson  
Church of God of Prophecy

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**IV. PROCLAMATION**

- The Dahlonega Lions Club
- Proclaiming September 27<sup>th</sup> as "Lions Day" in Lumpkin County

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- August 16, 2007 Public Hearing 6:00 p.m.
- August 16, 2007 Public Hearings 7:00 p.m.
- August 16, 2007 Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- August 23, 2007 Appeal Hearing 6:00 p.m.
- August 23, 2007 Appeal Hearing 7:00 p.m.
- August 30, 2007 Public Hearing 6:00 p.m.
- September 6, 2007 Appeal Hearing 8:00 a.m.
- September 6, 2007 Work Session 9:00 a.m.
- September 6, 2007 Joint Work Session 7:00 p.m.

**VI. REPORTS**

- Department reports are on file in the Board of Commissioners Office
- Elected Officials

**VII. RESOLUTIONS**

- 2007-38 Surplus Property
- 2007-39 Amend 2007 Budget
- 2007-40 Amend House Bill 58
- 2007-41 Distilled Spirits Referendum
- 2007-42 Appointment -Northeast GA Regional Board for Mental Health, Retardation & Substance Abuse
- 2007-43 Amend Civil Service System – Wage Survey
- 2007-44 Amend Subdivision Regulations



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- Department of Transportation 5311 Operating Contracts/Lumpkin County Transit System
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- ACCG Property and Liability Insurance
- Marsh Airport Liability Renewal
- Georgia Department of Community Affairs – Health Center/CDBG Grant No. 07p-y-093-1-3295
- National Sign Plazas

**IX. OTHER ITEMS**

- Stringer Insurance - Workers' Compensation
- Appeal Request Buffer Variance – Twenty-Two Enterprises, LLC
- Application for Existing Landfill – 400 North Landfill
- ACCG Fall Policy Conference Business Session – Official Call
- Audit RFP's
- Airport Leases

**X. COMMENTS**

- COUNTY MANAGER
- CHAIRMAN
- COMMISSIONER
- COUNTY ATTORNEY
- PUBLIC

**XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Future Meetings:

**October**

- Work Session – City Hall
- Board Meeting – City Hall

Oct. 04, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

Oct. 18, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

**November**

- Work Session – City Hall
- Board Meeting – City Hall  
(Adopt. 2008 Budget & Establish Millage Rates)

Nov. 01, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

Nov. 15, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

**December**

- Work Session – City Hall
- Board Meeting – City Hall

Dec. 06, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

Dec. 20, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

**XII. ADJOURN**

Vice Chairman Stowers



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE  
LUMPKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

September 20, 2007

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chairman Stowers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of Dahlonega City Hall. Clarence Stowers, John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle were present. Stephen Gooch was not present.

**INVOCATION**

Reverend Bo Robinson of the Church of God of Prophecy gave the invocation and Commissioner John Raber led the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Motion: Commissioner Hutcheson moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle. Motion carried.*

**PROCLAMATION**

The Dahlonega Lions Club

Vice Chairman Stowers read a proclamation commending The Dahlonega Lions Club for their seventy-five years of service to the community and proclaiming September 27, 2007 as "Lions Day" in Lumpkin County.

All Lions Club members present were invited to come forward by Vice-Chairman Stowers and join in a photograph taken by the Dahlonega Nugget reporter.

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*Motion: Commissioner Raber made a motion to approve these minutes as a consent agenda. Deborah Hutcheson seconded this motion. John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle voted to approve. Motion carried.*

**REPORTS**

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## **RESOLUTIONS**

### 2007-38 Surplus Property

This resolution provides for the identification and classification of certain Lumpkin County property as surplus and authorizes its sale and disposition. These items will be posted on GovDeals.com.

***Motion:** Commissioner Hutcheson moved to approve this resolution, which was seconded by John Raber. John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle approved the motion. Motion carried.*

### 2007-39 Amend 2007 Budget

This is Amendment 3 to the fiscal year 2007 Budget and will reduce the contingency by \$57,000.00.

***Motion:** Commissioner Raber made a motion to approve this resolution. The motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle. Motion carried.*

### 2007-40 Amend House Bill 58-2001

The duties of the County Clerk are detailed and require special training, and are sufficient to interfere with the performance of the other duties of the County Manager. This legislative amendment would provide for a separate Clerk to be hired by the County Manager and to work under the direct supervision of the County Manager. The County Clerk is a primary duty for a county employee.

***Motion:** Commissioner Raber moved to approve this resolution. Deborah Hutcheson seconded this motion. Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle approved the motion. Motion carried.*

### 2007-41 Distilled Spirits Referendum

This resolution calls for a referendum on the sale of distilled spirits for beverage purposes by the drink in Lumpkin County. The Election Superintendent shall and is hereby directed to issue the call for such referendum as provided by law, and with the intent that such election be held on the first Tuesday in February, 2008, or as may otherwise be provided by law.

***Motion:** Commissioner Raber made a motion to approve this resolution. Clarence Grindle seconded the motion, which was approved by John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle. Motion carried.*

### 2007-42 Line Survey

This resolution approves the proposed Dawson – Lumpkin County Line Segment as surveyed pursuant to the Lumpkin County Grand Jury Finding as attached in Exhibit “A”.

***Motion:** Commissioner Hutcheson made a motion to adopt this resolution. The motion was seconded by John Raber and approved by John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle. Motion carried.*

### 2007-43 Amend Civil Service System – Wage Survey

This resolution adopts certain elements of the classification system and pay plan as an amendment to the Lumpkin County Civil Service System as attached in Exhibit “A”.

***Motion:** Commissioner Raber moved to adopt this resolution. The motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle. Motion carried.*

### 2007-44 Amend Subdivision Regulations, Version 1

This resolution amends the Lumpkin County Subdivision Regulations as attached.

***Motion:** Commissioner Hutcheson moved to accept this resolution. Clarence Grindle seconded the motion. Upon discussion of Version 2 of this resolution Deborah Hutcheson withdrew her motion.*



**Motion:** Commissioner Hutcheson moved to accept Version 2 of this resolution, which includes the phrase "all regulations or ordinances in conflict with the provisions contained herein are hereby null and void". Clarence Grindle seconded this motion. Commissioners Hutcheson and Grindle were in favor of the motion and Commissioner Raber was opposed. Motion carried.

**Motion:** Commissioner Hutcheson moved to amend the agenda to add Resolution 2007-45. John Raber seconded the motion. Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

2007-45 Appointment -Northeast GA Regional Board for Mental Health, Retardation & Substance Abuse

This resolution reappoints Kathleen Gruenhagen to the Northeast Georgia Regional Board for Mental Health, Retardation and Substance Abuse with a term ending October 19, 2010.

**Motion:** Commissioner Raber moved to approve this resolution. The motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle. Motion carried.

**CONTRACTS**

TCI System Support Agreement/Lumpkin County 911

This is an annual renewal for Geo-Comm software in addition to TCI software and hardware support.

Term: October 1, 2007 – September 30, 2008.

Amount: \$11,138.00 with payment in full due before the renewal date

**Motion:** Commissioner Hutcheson moved to approve this contract. John Raber seconded the motion. Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle approved. Motion carried.

Department of Transportation 5311 Operating Contracts/Lumpkin County Transit System

This is a Budget Estimate. There will be a new bus in DOT FY 2009, which will need to be ordered and paid for in 2008.

Term: July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008

Estimated Amount: \$45,821.00 Local Share

**Motion:** Commissioner Raber made a motion to approve this contract. Clarence Grindle seconded the motion. John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle approved the motion and the motion carried.

Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. – Lumpkin County Head Start Building

This is an annual renewable in kind contribution agreement for use of the Head State Building.

Term: October 1, 2007 – September 30, 2008

Value Amount: \$109,718.00

**Motion:** Commissioner Raber moved to approve this contract, which was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson. Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle voted to approve. Motion carried.

ACCG Property and Liability Insurance

This is the 2007 Renewal Application for property and liability insurance.

**Motion:** Commissioner Hutcheson made a motion to approve this renewal application. The motion was seconded by John Raber and approved by John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle. Motion carried.



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Marsh Airport Liability Renewal

This contract is the annual renewal of the Airport Owners and Operators General Liability for Lumpkin County-Wimpy Airport.

Term: October 1, 2007 – October 1, 2008

Amount: \$3,973.00

*Motion: Commissioner Hutcheson moved to approve this contract, which was seconded by Clarence Grindle. Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle approved. Motion carried.*

Georgia Department of Community Affairs – Health Center/CDBG Grant No. 07p-y-093-1-3295

This Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) was awarded to Lumpkin County for construction of a new Health Center Facility under the 2007 annual competition. The grant is subject to special conditions.

Grant period: September 7, 2007 – September 6, 2009

CDBG Funds: \$500,000.00

Match and Leverage Budget: \$1,045,500.00

*Motion: Commissioner Raber made a motion to approve the grant award. The motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle. Motion carried.*

National Sign Plazas

This agreement will provide the county with a sign plaza program to give direction to subdivisions, developers, homebuilders and businesses within the county.

Term: Five Years renewable for an additional five years.

*Motion: Commissioner Hutcheson moved to approve this agreement, which was seconded by John Raber. Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle approved. Motion carried.*

**OTHER ITEMS**

Stringer Insurance - Workers' Compensation

Mr. Paul Stringer asked the board to reconsider the previous vote approving the ACCG Workers Compensation Plan.

*Motion: Commissioner Raber made a motion to reconsider the previous vote and to accept the Stringer Insurance proposal. The motion failed for lack of a second.*

Appeal Request Buffer Variance – Twenty-Two Enterprises, LLC

Craig Long, principal of Twenty-Two Enterprises said they are withdrawing their current request for a 20-foot variance. They want the board to reduce the 12-month waiting period so they can submit a different variance request to the Planning Commission.

*Motion: Commissioner Raber moved to allow Twenty-Two Enterprises to submit a new variance request to the November Planning Commission Meeting. Clarence Grindle seconded this motion. Commissioner Raber and Grindle were in favor of the motion. Commissioner Hutcheson was opposed. Motion carried.*

Application for Existing Landfill – 400 North Landfill

400 North Landfill is requesting a letter of compliance from the County to the State to assist them with becoming a C&D Landfill.

*Motion: Commissioner Hutcheson made a motion to deny this application. This motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle. Motion carried.*



ACCG Fall Policy Conference Business Session – Official Call

The board needs to appoint a Voting Delegate to the Conference Business Session.

***Motion:** Commissioner Raber made a motion that Chairman Gooch be the board's Voting Delegate. This motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle. Motion carried.*

Audit RFP's

***Motion:** Commissioner Raber moved to accept the finance department recommendation to hire Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC as the county's auditors. Deborah Hutcheson seconded this motion. John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson and Clarence Grindle approved the motion. Motion carried.*

Airport Leases

The County Attorney provided a Hangar Construction and Lease Agreement 2007 for the board to consider. He stated that this lease could alleviate some areas of concern regarding the current leases in use. He said this new agreement would create the need for more knowledge of what goes on at the airport.

***Motion:** Commissioner Raber made a motion to defer this matter to the work session. Deborah Hutcheson seconded the motion. Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle approve the motion. Motion carried.*

**COMMENTS**

**COUNTY MANAGER**

Clough Harbour and Associates will give a status report October 17. A time and place will need to be determined. Fire Station No. 4 is nearing completion and has been inspected. Some areas need to be corrected. The Fire Station will be re-inspected next week. The new baseball fields are expected to be done no later than mid-October.

**CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman was not in attendance.

**COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner Raber thanked all the county employees. He said he attributes much of the good work county employees do to the County Manager. The County Manager spoke about the success of the Family Day Picnic.

**COUNTY ATTORNEY**

The County Attorney had no comment.

**PUBLIC**

Several citizens spoke concerning the old ball fields asking questions about the swimming pool, monuments, placement of the monuments and the status of traffic studies in the area of the new courthouse.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business Vice Chairman Stowers called for a motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m.

***Motion:** Commissioner Raber made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson. Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson and Grindle voted to adjourn. Motion carried.*



10-18-07  
Date

Clarence Stowers  
Clarence Stowers, Vice Chairman  
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Ruth A. Bohac  
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Clerk, Lumpkin County